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AMEMBASSY ATHENS
AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: EWWT, KU
SUBJ: KUWAIT PORT EXPANSION--PHASE III

REF: A. KUWAIT 5011; B. TEHRAN 11762

1. EMBASSY HAS LEARNED THAT GOK IS CURRENTLY IN THE MIDST OF NEGOTIATION WITH DUTCH CONSULTING FIRM, ASSOCIATED MARINE OF AMSTERDAM (ASA) FOR A CONTRACT FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISION OF THE PHASE III, NORTHERN EXTENSION OF KUWAIT'S MAIN CARGO PORT AT SHUWEIKH. MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS (MPW) SOURCE SAYS THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN ASA AND MPW/PLANNING BOARD ARE "95 PERCENT COMPLETE" AND THAT IT IS PROBABLE, BUT NOT 100 PERCENT CERTAIN, THAT ASA WILL WIN CONTRACT.

2. COMMENT AND ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY HAS REPORTED (REFTEL A) ON CONTRADICTORY INFORMATION EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED RE STATUS OF CONSULTANCY PORTION OF SUBJECT PROJECT. FACT THAT ASA CONSULTANT ON CURRENT PHASE II EXPANSION CERTAINLY GIVES DUTCH FIRM THE EDGE IN ANY COMPETITION. EMBASSY AWARE OF KEEN INTEREST EXPRESSED BY U.S. CONSULTING FIRMS IN THIS PROJECT, HOWEVER, AND THEREFORE REQUESTS THAT ACTION ADDRESSEES NOTIFY THESE FIRMS (IN PARTICULAR HARZA ENGINEERING AND LUIS BERGER IN TEHRAN, AND MCGAUGHY, MARSHALL AND MCMILLAN IN ATHENS) IN GENERAL TERMS OF ADVANCED STATE OF NEGOTIATIONS ON CONTRACT. ACTION POSTS MIGHT ALSO SUGGEST THAT FIRMS WRITE TO GOK OFFICIALS
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DIRECTLY TO INQUIRE RE STATUS OF PROJECT AND TO MAKE KNOWN

THEIR INTEREST AND QUALIFICATIONS. ADDRESS FOR MINISTRY OF
PUBLIC WORKS IS AS FOLLOWS: MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS, P.O.
BOX 8, KUWAIT, KUWAIT. ATTENTION: H.E. HMOOD AL-NISF, MINISTER.
ADDRESS FOR THE PLANNING BOARD IS P.O. BOX 15, KUWAIT, KUWAIT.
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